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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
Papadimitriou et al.

Serial No: 09/890,053

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Art Unit: 1646

For: Pharmaceutical Composition of  
Hydrophobically Modified Hedgehog  
Proteins and Their Use

Examiner: E. O'Hara

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**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

Sir:

This amendment is being filed in reply to the outstanding Office Action, mailed January 29, 2004, in connection with the above application.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

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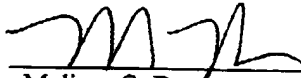
### CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Early and favorable reconsideration is respectfully solicited. The Examiner may address any questions raised by this submission to the undersigned at 617-951-7000. Should an extension of time be required, Applicants hereby petition for same and request that the extension fee and any other fee required for timely consideration of this submission be charged to **Deposit Account No. 18-1945**.

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Respectfully Submitted,



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